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## **Declaration of Graham Smith Exhibit 2**

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Memorandum

Te: Malcolm Wright

Desc: April 17, 2001

From: Marie Concerni

Sobject Patent Search

Dear Malcolm:

Attached is information on a 1 way system for holding sutures. It allows the suture to slide in one direction and prevents the summe from sliding back in the opposite direction. Would you please conduct a prior art search for this invention. Is 2 weeks a reasonable time for your completion?

Please confirm by E-mail. If you need any further information, just give me a call.

Thanks for all your help.

Marie Concerni

Attachment

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Post-It' Fax Note FRC A tissue anchoring device is envisioned which has two one way cleets (though only one may be required). having a post to wind a suture around. This will create an assembly with the suture that can be used for holding down tissue. eg cartilage, into a defect. The anchors are design to hold into a hole so that when the suture is tensioned they do not pull out.

The chief advantages of this design are. a, Assembly with the repair tissue done on side stand.

b. Ease of use

c. No knots on articular surfacé

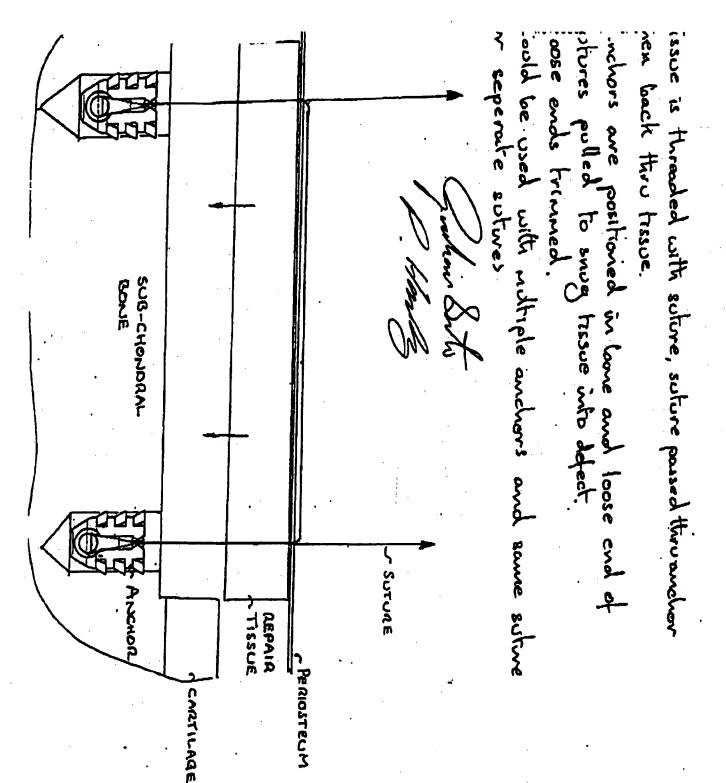
d. Low cost

These anchors could be used in points or in any multiple.

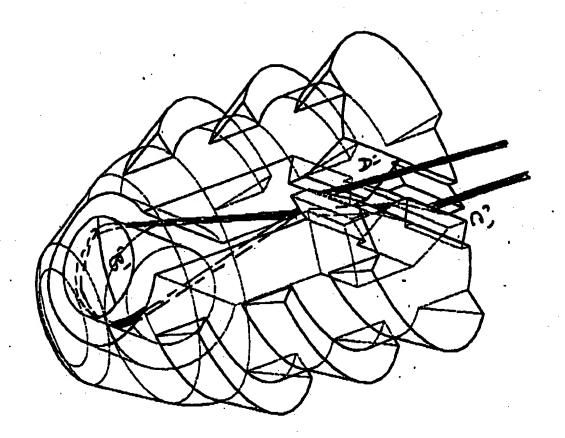
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